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HARDING PROMISES TO MAKE INQUIRY

DESIROUS OF EXTENDING AID TO FARMERS

President to Ascertain if Europe Can Purchase Cotton With Credit.

Hugh W. Roberts in The State. Washington, March 24.—President Harding today transformed conventional expressions of sympathy for the plight of the cotton producer of the South into a promise to secure in his own name the requirements of European markets and just what quantity of the staple they would purchase if granted long time credits.

As result, there will be no longer speculation as to what relief Europe could offer were it in position to buy. This agreement of the president indicates not only his interest in the South and the financial condition, but is, in the opinion of Southerners in congress, the most significant development in the recent calamitous history of agriculture.

The statement of the president proved the climax and conclusion of a highly intelligent investigation into the entire cotton situation conducted by Representative W. B. Oliver of Alabama. After interviewing Secretaries Hoover, Davis and Mellon; W. P. G. Harding, governor of the federal reserve board; Senator McLean, chairman of the committee on banking and currency; D. P. Lippitt, internationally known expert of cotton, and various representatives of the producers, Mr. Oliver found it necessary to develop the truth in the general understanding that, if Europe could buy, it would transform existing cotton from a "practically commodity" into a staple of infinite value.

He called on the resources of the president.

Oliver Sees President

"I informed Mr. Harding," said Mr. Oliver, "that it was necessary that it be made known whether or not European markets were actually demanding cotton, and whether or not they would buy in great quantities were they given a line of credit. I found the executive deeply interested and sympathetic. He declared that the plight of the cotton producer had already received the attention of his cabinet. When I indicated that by no other means could the real facts be developed so quickly as by a direct inquiry in his own name, the president agreed to act immediately as requested."

"There is a difference of opinion as to what Europe would do if it could. We are informed by certain individuals that if America gave credit to Europe the countries thereof would buy to such extent that all surplus cotton would be exhausted. On the other hand, I have the testimony of D. H. Lippitt, long experienced in exporting cotton, and a factor with connections in all European countries, that the demand is not excessive. He states that England and France in 1920 bought more cotton than they required, and that the only inquiries regarding the new crop were from Germany and Czechoslovakia. Mr. Lippitt adds that the demoralization of European markets is traceable to the failure of the senate to ratify the Versailles treaty, and concludes with advice to the farmer to hold available cotton as long as possible, and reduce acreage and fertilizer, in the production of succeeding crops fully 50 per cent."

Mr. Oliver quotes President Harding, officers of the war finance corporation and Chairman McLean of the senate committee on banking and currency, as determined that the statute under which the corporation functions shall be materially liberalized. "It is true," said Mr. Oliver, "that from this corporation, the farmer may receive assistance. But the organization is so involved in the meshes of 'red tape' that assistance comes only after intricate manipulation and inordinate waste of time. President Harding spoke of the necessity of making that channel of hope more accessible to the average individual, and I have a formal communication from Chairman McLean in which it is stated that existing conditions and restrictions will be liberalized. "As a future proposition," said Mr. Oliver, "there is certain hope for the

cotton planter. But every authority from the president down agrees that the farmer must help himself. In other words, it is the unanimous verdict that no agency of the government can serve a particle unless the farmer reduces his acreage and his fertilizer fully 50 per cent."

Easter Day.

Contrary to the usual way, Easter Sunday this year was a bright and beautiful day. No chilling wind and frosty air or wet, bleak weather to mar the morning, but warm sunshine and freshness everywhere to greet and welcome all. Nature was at its best for early spring and assisted gracefully with the millinery display. Church goers were happy in being able to gather at their respective places of worship with a high degree of satisfaction not always their pleasure of an Easter morn. As there was no morning service at the Episcopal church the reporter joined the Lutherans at the Church of the Redeemer, and was glad to have been there with the large congregation. The church was lovely with Easter lilies and other choice cuttings from the floral kingdom, sweet and pure, befitting the Easter-tide. To sit in such surroundings on a quiet Sabbath day and listen to helpful music, is to have a foretaste of the higher life. How soothing and inspiring the tuneful notes of the pipe organ, sometimes as low "as a mother's soft prayer," and then rising in volume to fill the place with melody akin, it would seem, to that of heavenly choirs. To hear and see and enjoy these occasions in health and comfort, ought to make man thankful and grateful for the blessings he has.

Dr. W. K. Gotwald brought the Easter message home to the hearts of his hearers in words of comfort and encouragement. Dr. Gotwald possesses the happy faculty of knowing how to say a good deal in a few words. One is always willing for him to continue a while longer. During the celebration of the communion Dr. Gotwald was assisted by Mr. C. B. Caughman, theological student. Adding much to the pleasure afforded the congregation by the harmony of the choir was the duet by Mrs. W. K. Gotwald and Dr. Jno. B. Setzler. It was indeed a restful and real, true enjoyment. Such music is elevating and beneficial, and the after effect is much better than that which follows a worldly amusement. Why don't we all, always, see it in that light?

At St. Luke's Episcopal church in the afternoon the Rev. W. S. Holmes conducted the usual Easter service. On account of sickness we were denied the pleasure of witnessing the pageant at the Lutheran church Sunday night, greatly to our regret and disappointment.

Poe's Spirit in Black Cat.

Detroit, March 25.—Is the spirit of Edgar Allan Poe, or some other famous author, reincarnated in the body of the black cat, "Nero," guiding the hand of Miss Martha Gustafson? Miss Gustafson, a department store saleswoman here, thinks so.

For a long time she has had literary ambitions and has wanted particularly to write for the movies. No luck. Then Nero came to live at her house. Straightway Miss Gustafson began to sell her stories. Soon she hopes to devote all her time to authorship.

"Nero sits by my side and purrs and I am inspired," she says, "Unless he is there I am unable to write salable material."

Death of Mr. Motes.

Mr. Henry J. Motes died on Friday morning at 7 o'clock, at his home near Belfast, after a lingering illness, and was buried at the Burton cemetery Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, service conducted by the Rev. R. H. Burriss. The deceased was about 72 years old and is survived by his widow, three sisters—Mrs. Senn, Mrs. McKittick and Mrs. West—of the county, and one brother, Mr. Will Motes of Georgia.

PLAY AT BETHEL-GARMANY FRIDAY NIGHT, APRIL 1ST

Owing to the weather last Thursday night, the play "Lighthouse Nan" was postponed until Friday night, April 1st.

S. LAFAYETTE FELLERS DIED MONDAY MORNING

Prosperity, March 28.—The funeral services of S. Lafayette Fellers, one of Prosperity's oldest citizens, who died at his home here Monday morning at the age of 70 years, will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Colony church, by Rev. Chas. J. Shealy.

Mr. Fellers was stricken with influenza ten days ago. Previous to that time he had always enjoyed the best of health.

Mr. Fellers took great interest in the progress of the town and served as mayor several different terms. He held an agency for fertilizer, and also was a farmer. He was a consistent member of Grace Lutheran church.

The following children survive: Misses Edna and Moss Fellers, Raymond Fellers of Newberry; Roy Fellers of Columbia and Carl Fellers of Savannah, also one sister, Mrs. Maggie Bowles of Greenwood and two brothers, L. M. Fellers of Colony and Henry Fellers of Silverstreet.

DRIVE OPENS FOR BIGGER AND BETTER NEWBERRY

With the meeting of the entire membership of the campaign team organization at Chamber of Commerce headquarters at 9:30 this morning, the actual drive for new memberships in the expanded Chamber of Commerce began in dead earnest. Approximately seventy-five men and women, representing the best citizenship of this city and county are giving up valuable time to present to the people the opportunity to link themselves up in a united effort to start Newberry out upon a new era of progress and prosperity such as she has never known before. The drive will continue until Friday. The goal which has been set is 400 memberships which will give the new organization an annual income of \$10,000, an amount sufficient to really accomplish the many great things which are to be accomplished if Newberry and Newberry county are to keep pace with the rapidly increasing list of progressive American cities which have similar organizations.

The membership dues in the organization have been fixed at \$25 per year which is the standard assessment adopted by all successful civic-commercial organizations throughout the country. Each person who joins will be asked to make his pledge for three years, at \$25 per year, payable in annual, semiannual or quarterly installments. The reasons for the three year pledge will be obvious to any thinking man familiar with business or with the work of modern civic-commercial organizations.

The teams that are making the canvass have been given a list of carefully selected prospects upon whom they will call. This list of prospects has been carefully gone over by committees of Newberry men in the hope that every man and woman who is asked to join will realize the importance of this movement to the future of this community and will take at least one membership, even though it may involve some little sacrifice on their part.

This is a big job which the people of Newberry are busy with this week and it means everything to the future of the city and county. If we all put our shoulders to the wheel and push together there is no question about the result.

Manufactured Whiskey.

John Heller, colored, charged with manufacturing whiskey, was committed to jail on Thursday afternoon by Magistrate T. B. Richardson, in default of a \$500 bond. Heller was caught near the upper hill near Broad river in No. 11 township, by Magistrate Richardson, Constable J. J. Koon and a private citizen, Mr. Leitsey. The officers destroyed the still.

The Kid.

"It is a picture you must see to enjoy and which you will enjoy if you see. See it even if you pawn the family jewels."—Los Angeles Herald. "The Kid" will be shown at the opera house two days, Wednesday and Thursday. There will be no advance in prices.

CONGRESS HEARS FORMAL SUMMONS

EXTRA SESSION CALLED FOR EARLY IN APRIL

Although No Subjects Are Mentioned Intentions of Republicans Are Well Known

Washington, March 22.—A formal call for an extra session of congress to meet on April 11 and receive legislative recommendations from the new administration was issued today by President Harding.

None of the specific problems to be laid before the legislative branch was named in the proclamation, the president was merely declaring that an extraordinary occasion required that congress convene "to receive such communications as may be made by the executive."

Mr. Harding already has indicated however, that the tariff and taxation will be foremost in his message to the special session. He is expected to make a special plea for prompt relief to the nation's agricultural interests and the list of recommendations may touch many other subjects such as the railway situation, the merchant marine, and immigration.

One recommendation relative to reconstruction measures within the government machine itself is expected to suggest the creation of a general commission to dispose of many kinds of property acquired by government agencies during the war. Whether the message will touch on foreign relations is a matter of speculation, but the president has indicated that his primary desire for the session is that it work out a plan of governmental and industrial rehabilitation at home.

A program for the session has been discussed at a series of conferences between the president and leaders in senate and house and although definite decisions still are to be made a feeling of confidence is manifest that they will be working agreement that will expedite legislative business from the start.

Some of the president's friends believe that he will follow the custom of President Wilson in delivering his message to congress in person. It was said tonight at the White House, however, that no decision on that detail had been reached.

Make Rapid Advance

The State. Columbia friends of Robert E. Allen, a native of Greenville, who was a member of the music faculty of Chicago college for two years after that institution was moved to Columbia, will be interested to know that he has just been elected to the office of assistant treasurer of the Central Union Trust company of New York. This is the third largest trust company in the world and the fact that Mr. Allen will now be in charge of its Madison avenue branch indicates the importance of his new position.

Mr. Allen is a baritone singer of talent and fine training and he left Chicago to become a professional singer in New York. He soon, however, abandoned excellent prospects for a musical career to become a soldier in the world war. Upon his return from overseas, after having served for two years as a first lieutenant, he had the opportunity of procuring a position with the Central Union Trust company and, having had previous banking experience in Baltimore some years ago, he accepted it. His advance in just a year and a half is considered most unusual. Mr. Allen married Miss Ellen Douglas Boykin of Camden and the two visited Columbia a few weeks ago for a short stay.

FOOTBALL CLAIMS FIRST VICTIM IN HOLY LAND

London, March 25.—The first man to lose his life in a football game in Palestine was killed in a recent game between students of the Jaffa Gymnasium and a team from the Mikvah Israel Agricultural college, says a dispatch from Jerusalem today. The student, who was a native of Mischa Colony, was struck in the chest by the knee of an opposing player, and died instantly.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS PROSPEROUS PROSPERITY

Easter Egg Hunt a Success—Special Easter Services—Meetings of Chapters.

Prosperity, March 28.—The Easter egg hunt given by the Aid society of Grace church on the church lawn Saturday afternoon was a decided success. A merry time was spent by the children who came in large numbers to join in the hunt for eggs. The proceeds from the egg hunt were given to the Lutheran orphanage at Salem, Va.

Again on Saturday afternoon the children of Wightman chapel enjoyed an egg hunt given by the ladies of the Sunday school.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. D. Griffin, Wightman chapel's pulpit was filled Sunday afternoon by Rev. Odell, superintendent of Epworth orphanage, Columbia. The church was very tastefully decorated with Easter lilies and cut flowers and potted plants.

Special Easter services were observed at Grace church Sunday morning. The decorations were simple but beautiful. Deserving of special mention was a large cross of Easter lilies.

The pulpit at the Baptist church was occupied Sunday afternoon by the Rev. Mr. Babb of Newberry, who preached an excellent Easter sermon. The James D. Nance Children of Confederacy meets Saturday afternoon at 4:30 with Misses Rosalyn, Marge and Frances Miller.

The William Lester chapter, U. D. C. holds its monthly meeting Friday afternoon at 4:30 with Mrs. J. M. Bedenbaugh.

I. Kaplan has returned from Asheville. Miss Sadie Dursch left Saturday for New York.

J. S. Wheeler spent Sunday in Columbia.

Mrs. J. A. Hunt and children of Saluda returned home Sunday after spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Schumpert.

Carl B. Fellers of Savannah was called home Sunday on account of the critical illness of his father, Mr. S. L. Fellers.

Miss Grace Wheeler spent the week-end in Greenville. Miss Grace Sease of Pelham has been home for a few days stay.

Rev. J. D. Griffin attended the Sunday school conference of the Methodist church at Greenwood during the past week.

Miss Catherine Blake spent the weekend in Ninety-Six. Mrs. B. O. Lovelace is visiting in Chesnee.

Tommy B. Hair of Columbia is spending a while with his parents, Judge and Mrs. B. B. Hair.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Dominick and Mrs. Alma Nance of Kinards and C. G. Wyche of Greenville were Easter guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Wyche.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Schumpert of Augusta are visiting Mrs. Fannie Schumpert.

Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Shealy of Orangeburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Shealy.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Grant of Greenville spent Easter with Mr. Ralph Grant.

Mrs. J. B. Bedenbaugh of Pomaria spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Werts.

Miss Erin Taylor of Bachman chapel is the guest of Mrs. Lois Dominick.

J. C. Schumpert has returned from Columbia. Miss Nannie Simpson of Pelham spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. J. H. Crosson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gibson and Byrd Gibson spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Epting of Reidsville.

Miss Thelma Leonhirth of Newberry college spent Saturday with Miss Elizabeth May.

Miss B. F. Swygert of Columbia has been the guest of Mrs. A. A. Singley.

Miss Gertrude Bobb of Pelham, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Barnes of Saluda, Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Feagle of Newberry were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Kohn.

ker college is home for a short visit. Miss Gladys Miller of Union was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Miller.

Miss Ruth Stockman and classmate, Miss Minna Collins of Columbia college were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stockman.

Misses Myra Hunter and Nannie Lee Young of Winthrop college were home for the Easter holidays.

Miss Josie Griffin spent the week-end in Rock Hill. Mrs. J. C. Taylor and children of Batesburg are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wise.

Mr. John Brown has returned to Johnston after visiting J. F. Brown. Miss Ophelia Connelly of the Lutheran seminary was home for the Easter holidays.

Miss Willie Mae Wise spent the week-end with Miss Nellie Wise of Winthrop college.

Mrs. V. E. Kohn and little Mary Virginia are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dunean of Blacksburg.

Prof. and Mrs. J. C. Brooks of Eutawville are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Counts.

Mrs. Sam Spence of Columbia and Mrs. Nellie Hunt of Newberry are guests of Mrs. J. D. Hunt.

Misses Chloe and Eula Epting of St. Lukes spent the week-end in Little Mountain.

Miss Marguerite Wise and two of her friends, Misses Fuller and Agnew of Columbia, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Laura Wise.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Rawl of Lexington spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Harmon.

Mickey Moldedous of Columbia is visiting relatives near here. Price Harmon, Mower Singley, Pettus Connelly, Jake Kunkle, Olin Long and George K. Dominick of Newberry college were home for the Easter holidays.

Miss Sallie Pugh spent Saturday in Little Mountain. Misses Olio Harmon, May Long and Marjorie Hawkins of Summerland college are spending a few days at home.

Mrs. Charlie Thomas of Sheffield Ala., arrived Friday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lester.

Miss Lucy Schumpert of Woman's college, Due West, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mattie Schumpert.

Wharton Harmon of Columbia was home for the week-end. Miss Doris Boozer of Summerland college is visiting her brother, Otis C. Boozer.

C. S. Schumpert of Columbia was home for Easter. Mrs. Maggie Bowles of Greenwood is here on account of the illness of her brother, S. L. Fellers.

Mrs. N. A. Nichols of Ninety-Six is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John A. Sease.

N. L. Black of Saluda is spending a few days with his son, L. A. Black, recuperating from a recent illness.

Miss Pearl Dawkins of Columbia is spending the Easter season at home.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our many, many thanks to our good friends and neighbors who were so kind to us during the illness and death of our dear husband and brother, Henry J. Motes. May God bless each and every one. We also thank the colored people.

Mrs. H. J. Motes, Mrs. M. C. Senn, Mrs. J. W. McKittick.

Making It Easier

The twelve-year-old was called upon to recite to his uncle. "At midnight in his guarded tent the Turk lay dreaming of the hour when Greece, her knee—" There he faltered. Thrice he repeated, "Greece, her knee," then stopped.

"Greece her knee once more, Bertie," suggested his uncle. "Perhaps she'll go easier then."

Some Liar

"Yes," he bragged, "I once invented a rubber pneumatic suit for men working at great heights." "And it was successful?" asked an unsuspecting one.

"I should say it was," he replied. "D'you know the first workman who fell out of a building wearing one bounced so hard and long that we had to throw biscuits to him to keep him alive."

RURAL SCHOOLS GET STATE AID

SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION COMPLETES PAYMENT

Over Thousand Rural Graded Schools on Lists—Show Steady Improvement.

The State, 25th. The office of state superintendent of education has just completed the payment of rural graded school aid for the scholastic year 1920-21, amounting to \$273,900 to 1,008 schools in 46 counties. The record of these schools makes a story of significant educational growth and notable accomplishment, says the superintendent. Consolidation, better buildings, an enlarged teaching corps, better organization and classroom instruction, a fuller enrollment and more regular attendance are the ways and means for this work.

The rural graded schools now outnumber any other single group of schools in the state. During the last 12 months seventy-five new districts have met the requirements of the law. Each district levies a minimum tax of four mills for current expenses. The highest local tax reported is 36 mills. Approximately 250 rural graded schools have voted bonds in order to erect new schoolhouses. Perhaps 75 per cent of these schools are levying a local tax of eight mills in order to meet the requirements of the equalizing law guaranteeing a seven months' term.

Following is the number by counties of rural graded schools receiving state aid:

Name of Schools	Amt. of St. Aid
Abbeville	9
Aiken	20
Allendale	8
Anderson	50
Bamberg	5
Barnwell	10
Beaufort	4
Berkeley	12
Calhoun	9
Charleston	10
Cherokee	13
Chester	11
Chesterfield	35
Clarendon	14
Colleton	25
Darlington	21
Dillon	18
Dorchester	9
Edgefield	8
Fairfield	7
Florence	43
Georgetown	5
Greenville	61
Greenwood	15
Hampton	13
Horry	63
Jasper	1
Kershaw	29
Lancaster	27
Laurens	37
Lee	20
Lexington	44
McCormick	10
Marion	16
Marlboro	12
Newberry	22
Oconee	26
Orangeburg	34
Pickens	33
Richland	21
Saluda	30
Spartanburg	74
Sumter	12
Union	15
Williamsburg	25
York	27
1,008	\$273,900

The Cross Boss

Things had gone wrong at the office all day, and the chief was in a red hot temper, which rose to white heat when he broke his glasses and could only read with difficulty the figures his clerk set before him. "Just look at this 9!" he roared. "It's exactly like a seven." "The figure is a 7, sir," replied the clerk.

Willing to Aid.

"Madame," pleaded Dusty Dan, "can you assist me along the road a little?" "Personally I cannot," replied the lady regretfully. "I am only a frail woman. But I am sure Rover will be glad to do so when I unchain him."